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Sri T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI :—" వ్యవసాయ డిపార్టుమెంటు రైతులకు చాలా ఉపయోగపడవలసియున్నది కనుక, ఫీల్డుమన్లు, వ్యవసాయ డిమాన్‌స్ట్రేటర్లు చేసే సలహాలను వ్యవసాయదార్లకు తెలియచేయునట్లు ఉత్తర్వులు జారీ చేసి, రైతులకు వ్యవసాయశాఖవారి సహకారం లభించునట్లుచేస్తారా ? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Yes, Sir. That is the work they are intended to do."

Enquiry into the shooting incidents at Patikkunnu, Chirakkal taluk.

* 259 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state whether the Government took steps to conduct an enquiry into the shooting incidents alleged to have happened on May 4th, 1950 at Patikkunnu in Chirakkal taluk as per the assurance given by him on the floor of the House during the last Session?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Government have looked into the matter and there are no adequate grounds for rejecting the police version. No useful purpose will be served now by instituting any formal enquiry into events that happened more than two and a half years ago about which no evidence that can now be had could possibly be relied upon for action."

Sri T. NAGI REDDI :—" మంత్రిగారు వెనుకటి పర్యాయం ఇచ్చిన సమాధానాన్నే తిరిగి చదివినారు. వారు ఈ విషయం గురించి ఎట్టి దర్యాప్తు చేసినట్లు కనుపించుటలేదు. ఈ కేసు సందర్భంలో bail ఇప్పించినవారు కాంగ్రెస్‌వాది అనే విషయం మంత్రిగారికి తెలుసునా ? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, it does not matter whether it is Congressmen that gave bail or anybody else. I have given all information that I could possibly give on the last occasion and I have answered the question now put."

Sri P. RAMAMURTHI :—" The Hon. Chief Minister said 2-10 p.m.
that, in view of the fact that more than two and a half years had elapsed, it was not necessary to enquire into the incident and that no useful evidence would be forthcoming to act upon. Does this rule apply to those cases where prosecution lies against some of the people? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The rule will apply wherever the position stands alike. If, for instance, a murder took place two and a half years ago and evidence is forthcoming only now, this rule will apply. But if evidence had been recorded previously and we are considering the case now, it will not apply."

Sri T. VISWANATHAM :—" In view of the fact that the hon. Member, Mr. T. C. Narayanan Nambiar, who has put the primary question has offered himself as a witness, why do the Government fight shy of making an enquiry? "

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THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" Where has he offered himself as a witness? "

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—" He says he has written to the Government. He himself will explain the correct position."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR:—" During the last session the Hon. the Chief Minister was pleased to say on the floor of this House that an enquiry would be conducted if a written representation was submitted to the Government. Accordingly I have submitted a written representation. In that representation I have definitely stated that, if an opportunity is given to the parents and the public, evidence will be forthcoming. Here I submit that I am prepared to give evidence."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—" Was the hon. Member an eye-witness? "

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR:—" I was not an eye-witness. I was away at the time. But I can help the Government."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" The hon. the Leader of the Opposition obviously misunderstood the position. The hon. Member who put the question has explained that he will help the Government in holding an enquiry. It will not help the position by any means. As I have already said, we can believe or we cannot believe, but we cannot act on such evidence."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI:—" ఈ కాల్పులు జరిగి రెండున్నర సంవత్సరాలైనదని, చనిపోయినవారు తిరిగిరారని నాకు తెలుసు. అయినప్పటికి ఇట్టి చర్యలు ఇకముందు జరుగరాదని నా ఉద్దేశము. అందుకుగాను ఈ case ను పునర్విచారణ చేసి నిజంగా నేరం చేసినదెవరో నిరూపించవలసిన బాధ్యత ప్రభుత్వంవారిమీద ఉన్నది. ఈ బాధ్యతను ప్రభుత్వంవారు గుర్తించి సరియైన సమాధానం ఇవ్వదలచారా అని అడుగుతున్నాను."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" Mr. Nagi Reddi has discovered himself making a speech instead of putting a question. He will pardon me if I say that he has long been in the habit of expounding opinions instead of putting questions. He has not added one single matter to the discussion between the primary questioner and me. I have already explained the position and Mr. Nagi Reddi is entitled to make his own assumptions and insinuations. He said that because somebody was a Congressman . . . . (Interruption by Sri T. Nagi Reddi.) I am quite clear in my mind that evidence now given will not be worth the paper on which it is written."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR:—" There are two distinct questions which, in my opinion, are being confounded. I wish to know whether the Hon. the Chief Minister would tell us whether

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he would hold an enquiry in pursuance of the promise or undertaking that he gave on a former occasion. It is for the enquiring officer to find out whether there is any material worth while. Only on the basis of his report the Government can find out whether there is sufficient evidence or not. I want to know whether the Hon. the Chief Minister will hold the enquiry and find out whether there is sufficient material or not. Mere lapse of two or two and a half years does not make the evidence stale or worthless."

The Hon. Sri C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—"I am sorry to say that the hon. Member is arguing just like Mr. Nagi Reddi. The representation made by Mr. Narayanan Nambiar was given to me. I received it, thereupon made enquiries, looked into the matter and came to this conclusion."

Declaration of Visakhapatnam district as a famine area.

* 260 *Q.*—Sri K. GOVINDA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government are considering the question of declaring Visakhapatnam district as a famine area?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"The answer is in the negative."

Sri K. GOVINDA RAO:—"ఒక ప్రాంతాన్ని కరువు ప్రాంతగా ప్రకటించవలెనంటే అక్కడ ఆకలిచావులు మొదలైనవి ప్రారంభమైనప్పుడే ప్రకటిస్తారా లేక పంటలు పాడైనపుడుకూడా అట్లుచేయుటకు అవకాశమున్నదా ?"

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"When conditions are bad, relief will be given."

Sri K. V. RAMESAM:—"In view of the fact that the Collector reported to the Government about the condition of the Visakhapatnam district, that there was total failure of paddy and millet crops and that the irrigation sources were badly in need of repair, will the Government be pleased to take up at least two items: remitting the land-cess wholesale and the repair of minor irrigation works and communications which are badly in need of repair?"

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"The conditions in Yellamanchili and Narasapatnam taluks are said to be bad. Both the Collector and the Famine Commissioner are closely watching the situation and the needful will be done when a report again comes."

Sri T. VISWANATHAM:—"May I know the extent of failure in each taluk reported by the Collector?"

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"According to the report for the week ending 19th November—

'Transplantation in the district has been completed and the condition of the standing crops is poor to fair. Water-supply is said to be adequate except in Yellamanchili and Narasapatnam taluks. Fodder, seeds and labour are available.'